

KAWAIAHAO IS TO NAME NEW PASTOR

Rev. H. H. Parker Announces Firmly Intention to Resign; Hawaiian Board Not to Take Part in Selection of New Minister

After more than half a century as the pastor of the Kawaiahaeo church, Rev. H. H. Parker, its aged leader, has made evidence his determination to resign and insist upon the selection of another minister. He announced himself firmly yesterday in calling a meeting of the congregation for tonight to name his successor.

The meeting to name a new minister and Mr. Parker's resignation came as the climax to a stormy series of church wrangles of the past eight or nine months. The trouble rose over charges of two factions of the church, alleged misuse of funds and involving allegations of irregularities of individuals aligned on both sides of the church row.

Division of the former harmonious conduct of the church over a period of 56 years under the pastorate of Rev. Parker came first over a dispute arising around the forming of two organizations of "Christian Endeavor" societies.

For years the Christian Endeavor society of the church, the original one, was formed under "the rules and regulations of the territory," it is said. Then Rev. Parker's opponents claim he any position of power in the church, board of deacons and that Rev. Parker tried to oust the old society from any position of power in the church. This action is said to have led to the counter accusations of irregularities and gradually led up to the point where the old minister tied of the church wrangling and decided to resign.

John K. Kamanoulu, who has been a member of the church board of trustees, since organized six years ago, stated this morning that he did not know who would be elected as the church pastor by the congregation. He represents the faction that has been opposed to the minister and his following.

It is said that the Hawaiian board of missions would attempt to name a minister for the Kawaiahaeo church, although it is admitted that the church is an independent organization and under the dominion of the board only in denominational supervision.

Rev. John Erdman, who is a member of a church association committee which has been trying to straighten out the affairs of the Kawaiahaeo church, said this morning that nothing had been decided by this committee. "There is nothing definite settled upon," he said, when asked if it was true that his name had been suggested as a temporary pastor for the Kawaiahaeo church. He did admit, however, that the congregation could go ahead and select whoever it wished as minister.

Others who are mentioned for the pastorate are Rev. Akiko Akana, Rev. James Akina and Rev. H. P. Judd.

The congregation mass meeting call for tonight is expected to bring out a large number of the members of the church.

Rev. H. P. Judd was asked if he knew he was mentioned as a possible successor to Rev. Parker. "I know nothing about it," was his response. He did not say whether or not he would accept, if called.

GAS CO. MULCTED OF \$700 BY BOLD THIEF

A robbery which for nerve and daring has not been equalled in many years, was committed recently, the Honolulu Gas Company being the victim to the tune of \$750. The robber is still unidentified.

The robber walked into the office of A. N. Campbell, cashier of the company, on Merchant street, and presented a check made out to cash for \$750 which Mr. Campbell obligingly signed it. It was not until a similar check was presented a few minutes later by the right man that Mr. Campbell became suspicious.

It is believed that the thief was one who knew the ins and outs of the company's methods of drawing the pay rolls. After the check was signed, he went across the street to the Bank of Honolulu where he had the check cashed.

JAGGAR RETAINED AS KILAUEA VOLCANOLOGIST

Dr. T. A. Jaggar, volcanologist in charge of the observations made at Kilauea, the experimental station at Kilauea, was reappointed and authorized to continue his work at a recent meeting of the Hawaiian Volcano Research Association.

The term of the agreement under which he has been working recently expired and it was the opinion of the directorate at the meeting that not only should Dr. Jaggar's research be continued, but that it should be extended along such lines as may be practicable.

Professor Jaggar announced the commencement of a series of interesting experiments which should show the connection between the purely local earthquakes and tremors and the movement of the lava column under Kilauea and Mauna Loa, with the possible influence upon more distant seismic happenings.

NEW JAPANESE SCHOOL

The building inspector's office this morning issued a permit for the construction of a new Japanese school house to be built on Robello lane, in the Palama district. The school will be 90 feet long and 30 feet wide, and will cost \$4185. A permit was also issued this morning to Mrs. Wong Shee who is to build a cottage in Sing Lee lane, Mollili district, to cost \$1485.

WILDER WANTS DATA ON TAXES

Whether the budget of civic finances for the six months, commencing January 1, 1918, will come up before the meeting of the board of supervisors for discussion tomorrow night or not, is a question which will be answered only when chairman of the finance committee, E. A. Mott-Smith, puts in an appearance from the island of Hawaii, where he has been recuperating from illness for the past week or two. The reports from the various departments which will make up the budget are now practically complete, and if Supervisor Mott-Smith returns in time they will be brought up tomorrow night.

The board has received a letter from Charles T. Wilder, tax assessor, asking for estimates of the amount of money required to be raised by the taxes of 1918, and he has asked for those estimates as soon as practicable so that the board will undoubtedly request the chairman of the finance committee to step lively with the figures.

Tenders for the storm drain for Manoa will be opened tomorrow, and beyond that the budget and a possible discussion of the Nuuanu valley water problem the meeting should be short, as no other business, from present appearances, is likely to come up.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

A petition for habeas corpus has been filed in federal court by Judo Ibara, a Japanese, who is seeking release from the federal immigration station.

There will be a rehearsal of some of the Christmas carols for the enlisted men of the army and navy on Monday night, Dec. 17, at 7:30 o'clock in Charles P. Bishop hall, Punahou campus. Come.

The Sunbeam Class of Central Union Bible school will hold its Christmas party on Thursday afternoon, at 3 o'clock in the parish house. The members of the Cradle Roll are also invited to be present.

A. M. Cristy, deputy city and county attorney, and A. S. Cantin, city and county attorney, paid a visit to Laimai district Friday afternoon to investigate the claims made by James T. Taylor that under the assessment roll for that improvement district he was being over-assessed to the extent of more than \$200.

With the exception of roads and pipe lines owned by the territory, title to land on Maui aggregating 769 acres, has been vested in F. G. Correa, who recently filed his petition in the land court. Judge S. B. Kemp and Registrar Andrew Hogan have returned to Honolulu after hearing the petition on the Valley Island.

The Japanese company of the national guard, has issued invitations to an at home in the armory on Sunday afternoon, December 16. There will be a program which will probably include typical Japanese features, beginning at 2:30. The officers of the company are Capt. W. G. Allen and Lieut. F. E. Midkiff.

U. S. TRADE BODY SEEMS SATISFIED WITH PROFITS OF PINE CO., SAYS DOLE

That the federal trade commission is satisfied the Hawaiian growers and packers of pineapples are making a reasonable profit, is the impression gathered by James D. Dole, president and manager of the Hawaiian Pineapple Co., who returned this morning from a seven weeks' stay on the Pacific coast.

"It has been several months since the commission conducted an investigation to determine for the government if excessive profits were being made in the pineapple industry," he declared. "Since then there has been nothing heard from the commission ordering a cut in prices, so it is presumed the commission decided only a reasonable profit was being made. At about the same time an investigation was made of the earnings and expenditures of the salmon packers. Afterwards it was recommended, and the recommendation was adopted, that the price of salmon be cut \$2 a case."

Because more people in the United States now have more money than ever before, Mr. Dole believes the pineapple market could be greatly extended. He says, however, that the supply on hand is being divided pro rata among former customers. From the winter pack the army and navy will want 40,000 cases of pines, Mr. Dole said.

FOUR MINUTE MEN THIS WEEK

Monday—Rev. J. P. Erdman.
Tuesday—Professor Vaughan MacCaughy.
Wednesday—E. C. Peters.
Thursday—Alexander Lindsay.
Friday—William B. Lymer.
Saturday—J. W. Cathcart.
Sunday—Dr. James R. Judd.

This week the Four Minute Men will talk on the American Red Cross with special reference to the Christmas membership "drive."

Germany is offering Denmark a supply of potatoes in exchange for needed articles.



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Hawaii Now Under New Draft Rules

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

In accordance with Section 4 of the Selective Service Regulations prescribed by the President of the United States, bearing date Nov. 8, 1917, all exemptions and discharges made prior to noon on December 15, 1917, and all certificates in evidence thereof, are hereby revoked from and after noon on December 15, 1917, and all such certificates theretofore issued shall have no further validity.

FRANCIS J. GREEN, Captain, Infantry U. S. R., in Charge of Selective Draft, Territory of Hawaii.

Pursuant to the foregoing order Hawaii is now under the operation of the new draft system, which changed by official order on Dec. 15. This means that all persons who have been examined under the former rules will be required to fill out the questionnaire of the new plan. All exemptions and discharges made prior to Dec. 15 are revoked. This applies in Hawaii only to persons who registered on the mainland and who were examined here by one of the local exemption boards.

"Y" GIRLS COMPLAIN OF ROBBERIES AND INACTIVITY OF POLICE

Because of a recent robbery of money and other valuables and the constant presence of skulkers in and about the grounds, the girls of the Y. W. C. A. homestead on King street have armed themselves and are prepared to shoot, according to Miss Edyth Gill, secretary in charge. Miss Gill claims that the police have done practically nothing to protect the home.

A few days ago someone entered the rooms of the girls who live in the cottages outside the main building and stole \$18 and considerable clothing including several Christmas presents.

CORNERSTONE IS LAID

With appropriate services in English and Chinese, the cornerstone of the new Chinese Congregational church and Mission in Beretania street was laid yesterday afternoon. The cornerstone, which was given by Henry Freitas, former building inspector, was laid by George N. Wilcox of Kauai.

The program was as follows: Opening sentences, Hymn—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," Scripture readings—Rev. Yuen Te Pul, Prayer—Rev. Tse Keli Yuen, Apostles' Creed (Chinese), Laying of the cornerstone, Address—Rev. Tse Keli Yuen, Hymn—"Blest Be the Tie That Binds," Benediction—Dr. J. H. Williams.

WILLIAM HOOPIL DEAD

William Hoopil, alias "Barefoot Bill," for many years a notorious character, died Sunday at the Leahi home after a lingering illness. For the past 14 years, however, Hoopil had been a model of propriety. The funeral will be held this afternoon from the undertaking parlors of Silva. He leaves a widow.

JURY PROBE OF WILL FIGHT IS TO BE SOUGHT

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and Kamakaia to witness her signature to the will, and that she spent the morning searching for them. She got Kealoa, she says, and late in the morning Kamakaia came to her house and she asked him to go with her to Washington Place, which, according to her story, he did.

She says the queen was sitting in a wheel chair, dressed in a Japanese robe, and that Kamakaia knelt on the floor and held up a book while the queen signed each page of the alleged will. As witnesses Kealoa signed first and Kamakaia next, she says. The pen used was a fountain pen, she says. The property of Representative James Jarrett, from whom she borrowed it for the occasion.

After the attorneys for J. F. Colburn, named as executor in the alleged 1917 will, learned that Kamakaia was weakening in his former statements as to having witnessed the queen's signature, he and Kealoa were cross-examined. Kealoa is said to have declared that his affidavit, in which he said he witnessed the signature, was true.

Kamakaia, however, repudiated his first affidavit and swore to another in which he declared he signed his name to the alleged will at Theresa's home, and not in the presence of the queen.

While the interview with Kealoa was in progress Kamakaia is said to have sought a private talk with one of the attorneys, but was told to wait until later. In the presence of the attorneys Kamakaia is alleged to have said he had a dream and a vision of God, in which he was warned to tell the truth. It was following this statement that he swore to the new affidavit.

After the new affidavits had been secured the attorneys filed them with Clerk Henry Smith at his home late Saturday afternoon, withdrawing the alleged 1917 will from probate. Colburn also filed an affidavit asking to be allowed to withdraw as executor.

It is probable that the will may be withdrawn from probate and Colburn discharged as executor unless the court demands an investigation. The alleged 1917 will and the will of 1909 are scheduled to be heard next Friday on petition for probate.

Kamakaia is also said to have told the attorneys and Theresa that he received \$900 from a "foreigner" at Koolau, but is declared to have later repudiated this.

OAHU GIVES \$4920 TO BELGIAN ORPHANS

Saturday's appeal to help the children of Belgium was responded to with enthusiasm by the people of Honolulu and subscriptions amounting to \$4920 were taken in by the women and girl workers. Of this amount \$741 was derived from the sale of plants, while \$900 which was given prior to Friday afternoon brought the grand total to \$4920 for Oahu. The result of the drive on the other islands is not yet known.

Over 4000 tags were sold, and of the other emblems 250 bar pins bearing the colors of the allies, 100 service flags for those who have relatives in the military service and 120 tiny woolen gollivows were purchased by the citizens of Honolulu.

Mrs. J. S. Emerson, in charge of the day, spent five months in its preparation. The Creche of Hawaii is assured.

KUPIHEA PLACES INVENTION LOSS AT HALF MILLION

David M. Kupihea, president and promoter of the Hawaiian Standard Food Co. Ltd., claims half a million dollars loss to his company and the destruction of valuable machinery and papers, when the Honolulu Plantation Company tore down, he says, the building of the food company.

Kupihea says the principal loss is in drawings, specifications and other documents relating to his "Electric Portable Cane Cutter and Crushing Machine," which, he claims, may revolutionize cane-cutting and crushing in Hawaii.

The case is now in police court. Manager Gibb was arrested on Kupihea's complaint, charged with malicious injury in the tearing down of the building at Watertown.

Kupihea admits that there is a charge that his company did not live up to the terms of its lease, but says that is not his fault.

Mechanical experts who were asked today about the value of Kupihea's invention were inclined to the view that the rose-tate dreams of an inventor rather exaggerated its true merit when the loss is placed at half a million.

TONIGHT'S BAND CONCERT.

The Hawaiian band will give a public concert this evening at Emma Square at 7:30. The program:

Overture—French Comedy... Bela Waltz—Southern Breeze... Meissler Intermezzo—Suki San (new)... Donaldson Selection—Runaway Girl... Monckton Songs... Hawaiian Band Glee Club Medley—War Song of the Boys in Blue... Laurendeau Wiltz—Les Patiniers... Waldteufel March—Land of Moa (new)... Lithgow Hawaii Ponoi.
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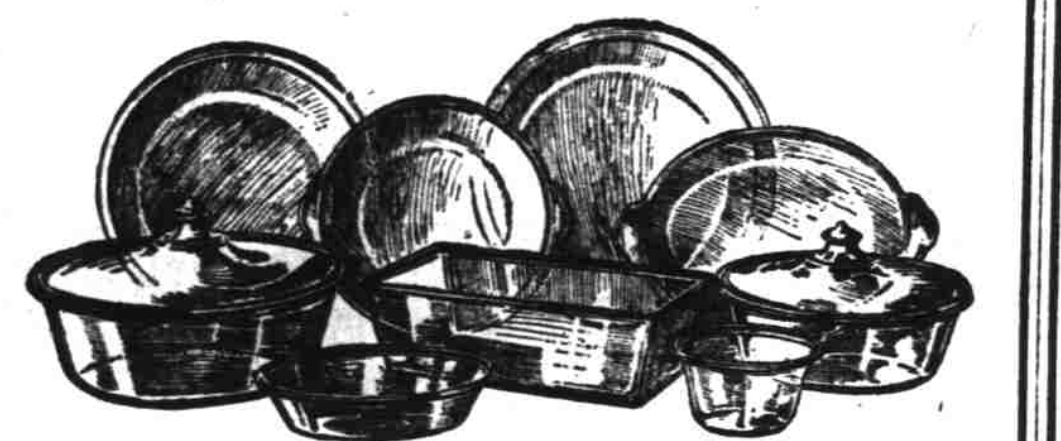
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